## STATE OF WASHINGTON 1 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS **CONSUMER SERVICES DIVISION** 2 3 IN THE MATTER OF DETERMINING NO. C-02-151-04-SC01 Whether there has been a violation of the 4 Mortgage Broker Practices Act of Washington by: STATEMENT OF CHARGES and 5 MACKENZIE PAIGE MORTGAGE BROKERS. NOTICE OF INTENTION TO REVOKE LICENSE INC. dba MACKENZIE PAIGE MORTGAGE, and PROHIBIT FROM INDUSTRY 6 Leslie A. Attebery-Bock, Owner and Designated 7 Broker Respondents. 8 9 INTRODUCTION 10 Pursuant to RCW 19.146.220 and RCW 19.146.223, the Director of the Department of Financial 11 Institutions of the State of Washington (Director) is responsible for the administration of chapter 19.146 RCW, the 12 Mortgage Broker Practices Act (Act). The referenced statutes (RCW) and rules (WAC) are attached, in pertinent 13 part. After having conducted an investigation pursuant to RCW 19.146.235, and based upon the facts available as 14 of May 20, 2004, the Director institutes this proceeding and finds as follows: 15 I. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS 16 1.1 **Respondents:** 17 Mackenzie Paige Mortgage Brokers, Inc. (Respondent Mackenzie) is known to have 18 conducted the business of a mortgage broker at the following location[s]: 19 6530 93<sup>rd</sup> Street SW Lakewood, WA 98499 20 10116 – 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW #12 21 Tacoma, WA 98499 22 950 Pacific Avenue, Suite 1250 Tacoma, WA 23

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- B. Leslie A. Attebery-Bock (Respondent Attebery-Bock) is known to be the owner and Designated Broker of Respondent Mackenzie. Respondent Attebery-Bock was named Designated Broker on June 25, 1997, and has continued as Designated Broker to date.
- **1.2 License:** Respondent Mackenzie's main office was licensed by the Department of Financial Institutions of the State of Washington (Department) to conduct business as a mortgage broker on June 25, 1997, and has continued to be licensed to date.
- 1.3 Failure to Pay Annual Assessment: An annual assessment fee for each license is due to the Department no later than the last business day of June for the year then ended. To date, the Department has not received the annual assessment due from Respondents for the year ended 2000, due to the Department no later than the last business day of June 2000, totaling \$500.00. On November 14, 2000, Respondent Attebery-Bock filed Chapter 7 bankruptcy. The date of discharge was February 21, 2001.
- 1.4 Failure to Maintain Bond: On July, 19, 2000, the Department received notice from Washington International Insurance Company that Respondent Mackenzie's surety bond had been cancelled, effective August 17, 2000. To date, Respondents have failed to notify the Department of the cancellation of the surety bond, and have failed to provide the required surety bond or an approved alternative.
- 1.5 Failure to Submit Continuing Education Certificates: A certificate of satisfactory completion of an approved continuing education course by a licensee's Designated Broker is due to the Department no later than the last business day of June of each year. The Department has not received the required certificate from Respondent Attebery-Bock for the year 2000.
- 1.6 Failure to Respond to Directives: On August 19, 2000, the Department successfully served a directive regarding the surety bond cancellation on Respondents by certified mail. There was no response to that directive. Although several other directives were sent to the last official address of Respondent Mackenzie regarding the failure to pay the annual assessment and the failure to fulfill continuing education, both certified and first class letters were returned to the Department. On April 8, 2004, the Department successfully served a directive on Respondents at their first official address. There has been no response to that directive.

# 1.7 Failure to Notify Department of Significant Developments:

- A. As stated in 1.4 above, to date, Respondents have not notified the Department of the cancellation of Respondent Mackenzie's surety bond.
- B. As noted in section 1.6 above, mail from the Department addressed to Respondent Mackenzie's licensed location was returned by the United States Postal Service. Respondents did not notify the Department of a change in location of Respondent Mackenzie's principal place of business.

### II. GROUNDS FOR ENTRY OF ORDER

- **2.1 Requirement to Pay Annual Assessments:** Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents are in violation of RCW 19.146.228(1), WAC 208-660-060(3) and WAC 208-660-061 for failing to pay to the Director an annual assessment fee no later than the last business day of the month in which the anniversary date of the issuance of the mortgage broker's license occurs.
- **2.2 Requirement to Maintain Surety Bond:** Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents are in apparent violation of RCW 19.146.205(4)(a) and WAC 208-660-080(1) for failing to file and maintain a surety bond or approved alternative with the Department.
- 2.3 Requirement to Submit Certificate of Completion of Continuing Education: Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondent Attebery-Bock is in apparent violation of RCW 19.146.215 and WAC 208-660-042 for failing to complete the annual continuing education requirement and file a certificate of satisfactory completion no later than the last business day of the month in which the anniversary date of the issuance of the licensee's license occurs.
- **2.4 Requirement to Notify Department of Significant Developments:** Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents are in apparent violation of WAC 208-660-150(1)(e), WAC 208-660-150(2), and WAC 208-660-150(3)(b), (e) and (f) for failing to notify the Director in writing within thirty days after receipt of notification of cancellation of the licensee's surety bond, failing to notify the Director in writing ten days prior to a change of the location of the licensee's principal place of business or any of its branch

1	IV. AUTHORITY AND PROCEDURE
2	This Statement of Charges and Notice of Intention to Enter an Order to Revoke and Prohibit from the Industry
3	is entered pursuant to the provisions of RCW 19.146.220, RCW 19.146.221, RCW 19.146.223 and
4	RCW 19.146.230, and is subject to the provisions of chapter 34.05 RCW (The Administrative Procedure Act).
5	Respondents may make a written request for a hearing as set forth in the NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO
6	DEFEND AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING accompanying this Statement of Charges and Notice of
	Intention to Revoke License and Prohibit from the Industry.
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8	Dated this 25th day of May, 2004.
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10	/S/ CHUCK CROSS
11	Director and Enforcement Chief Division of Consumer Services
12	Department of Financial Institutions  Presented by:
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RCW 19.146.220 Director -- Powers and duties -- Violations as separate violations -- Rules.

- (1) The director shall enforce all laws and rules relating to the licensing of mortgage brokers, grant or deny licenses to mortgage brokers, and hold hearings.
- (2) The director may impose the following sanctions:
- (a) Deny applications for licenses for: (i) Violations of orders, including cease and desist orders issued under this chapter; or (ii) any violation of RCW 19.146.050 or 19.146.0201 (1) through (9);

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- (b) Suspend or revoke licenses for:
- (i) False statements or omission of material information on the application that, if known, would have allowed the director to deny the application for the original license;
  - (ii) Failure to pay a fee required by the director or maintain the required bond;

(4)(a) Each applicant for a mortgage broker's license shall file and maintain a surety bond, in an amount of not greater than sixty thousand dollars nor less than twenty thousand dollars which the director deems adequate to protect the public interest, executed by the applicant as obligor and by a surety company authorized to do a surety business in this state as surety. The bonding requirement as established by the director may take the form of a uniform bond amount for all licensees or the director may establish by rule a schedule establishing a range of bond amounts which shall vary according

to the annual average number of loan originators or independent contractors of a licensee. The bond shall run to the state of Washington as obligee, and shall run first to the benefit of the borrower and then to the benefit of the state and any person or persons who suffer loss by reason of the applicant's or its loan originator's violation of any provision of this chapter or rules adopted under this chapter. The bond shall be conditioned that the obligor as licensee will faithfully conform to and abide by this chapter and all rules adopted under this chapter, and shall reimburse all persons who suffer loss by reason of a

abide by this chapter and all rules adopted under this chapter, and shall reimburse all persons who suffer loss by reason of a violation of this chapter or rules adopted under this chapter. Borrowers shall be given priority over the state and other persons. The state and other third parties shall be allowed to receive distribution pursuant to a valid claim against the remainder of the bond. In the case of claims made by any person or entity who is not a borrower, no final judgment may be

entered prior to one hundred eighty days following the date the claim is filed. The bond shall be continuous and may be canceled by the surety upon the surety giving written notice to the director of its intent to cancel the bond. The cancellation shall be effective thirty days after the notice is received by the director. Whether or not the bond is renewed, continued, reinstated, reissued, or otherwise extended, replaced, or modified, including increases or decreases in the penal sum, it shall

be considered one continuous obligation, and the surety upon the bond shall not be liable in an aggregate or cumulative amount exceeding the penal sum set forth on the face of the bond. In no event shall the penal sum, or any portion thereof, at two or more points in time be added together in determining the surety's liability. The bond shall not be liable for any penalties imposed on the licensee, including, but not limited to, any increased damages or attorneys' fees, or both, awarded under RCW 19.86.090. The applicant may obtain the bond directly from the surety or through a group bonding

arrangement involving a professional organization comprised of mortgage brokers if the arrangement provides at least as much coverage as is required under this subsection.

(b) In lieu of a surety bond, the applicant may, upon approval by the director, file with the director a certificate of deposit, an irrevocable letter of credit, or such other instrument as approved by the director by rule, drawn in favor of the director for an amount equal to the required bond.

(c) In lieu of the surety bond or compliance with (b) of this subsection, an applicant may obtain insurance or coverage from an association comprised of mortgage brokers that is organized as a mutual corporation for the sole purpose of insuring or self-insuring claims that may arise from a violation of this chapter. An applicant may only substitute coverage under this subsection for the requirements of (a) or (b) of this subsection if the director, with the consent of the insurance commissioner, has authorized such association to organize a mutual corporation under such terms and conditions as may be imposed by the director to ensure that the corporation is operated in a financially responsible manner to pay any claims within the financial responsibility limits specified in (a) of this subsection. [1997 c 106 § 9: 1994 c 33 § 8: 1993 c 468 § 6.]

Severability – 1997 c 106: See note following RCW 19.146.100. Adoption of rules – Severability – 1993 c 468: See notes following RCW 19.146.020. Effective dates – 1993 c 468: See note following RCW 19.146.200.

RCW 19.146.215 Continuing education – Rules. The designated broker of every licensee shall complete an annual continuing education requirement, which the director shall define by rule. [1997 c 106 § 11; 1994 c 33 § 11.]

Severability – 1997 c 106: See note following RCW 19.146.010.

Appendix – Pertinent Mortgage Broker Statutes & Rules

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2	RCW 19.146.230 Administrative procedure act application. The proceedings for denying license applications, issuing cease and desist orders, suspending or revoking licenses, and imposing civil penalties or other remedies issued pursuant to this chapter and any appeal therefrom or review thereof shall be governed by the provisions of the administrative procedu
3	act, chapter 34.05 RCW. [1994 c 33 § 16; 1993 c 468 § 10.]
4	RCW 19.146.235 Director – Investigation powers – Duties of person subject to examination or investigation. For the purposes of investigating complaints arising under this chapter, the director may at any time, either personally or by a designee, examine the business, including but not limited to the books, accounts, records, and files used therein, of every
5	licensee and of every person engaged in the business of mortgage brokering, whether such a person shall act or claim to ac under or without the authority of this chapter. For that purpose the director and designated representatives shall have acces during regular business hours to the offices and places of business, books, accounts, papers, records, files, safes, and vaults
6	of all such persons. The director or designated person may direct or order the attendance of and examine under oath all
7	persons whose testimony may be required about the loans or the business or subject matter of any such examination or investigation, and may direct or order such person to produce books, accounts, records, files, and any other documents the director or designated person deems relevant to the inquiry. If a person who receives such a directive or order does not
8	attend and testify, or does not produce the requested books, records, files, or other documents within the time period established in the directive or order, then the director or designated person may issue a subpoena requiring attendance or compelling production of books, records, files, or other documents. No person subject to examination or investigation
9	under this chapter shall withhold, abstract, remove, mutilate, destroy, or secrete any books, records, computer records, or other information.
10	Once during the first two years of licensing, the director may visit, either personally or by designee, the licensee's place or
11	places of business to conduct a compliance examination. The director may examine, either personally or by designee, a sample of the licensee's loan files, interview the licensee or other designated employee or independent contractor, and undertake such other activities as necessary to ensure that the licensee is in compliance with the provisions of this chapter.
12	For those licensees issued licenses prior to March 21, 1994, the cost of such an examination shall be considered to have been prepaid in their license fee. After this one visit within the two-year period subsequent to issuance of a license, the
13	director or a designee may visit the licensee's place or places of business only to ensure that corrective action has been taken or to investigate a complaint. [1997 c 106 § 14; 1994 c 33 § 17; 1993 c 468 § 11.]
14	Severability – 1997 c 106: See note following RCW 19.146.010. Adoption of rules – Severability – 1993c 468: See notes following RCW 19.146.0201.
15	Effective dates – 1993 c 468: See note following RCW 19.146.200.
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WAC 208-660-080 Surety bond and approved alternatives -- General requirements. (1) Each applicant for a

(a) A surety bond in the required amount and related power of attorney issued by a bonding company or insurance

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company authorized to do business in this state; or

(b) An approved alternative to a surety bond in the required amount in accordance with WAC 208-660-08010.

The required amount of the surety bond or approved alternative ranges from twenty thousand dollars to sixty thousand dollars and is based on the applicant's or licensee's monthly average number of loan originators calculated in accordance with subsection (2) of this section. The surety bond or approved alternative is subject to claims in accordance with RCW 19.146.205 and 19.146.240. Borrowers shall be given priority over the state and other persons who file claims against the bond or approved alternative. The state and other persons shall not receive distributions from the remainder of the bond or approved alternative pursuant to valid claims prior to one hundred eighty days following the date a claim is made against the bond.

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### WAC 208-660-150 Disclosure of significant developments.

- (1) A licensee must notify the director in writing within thirty days after the occurrence of any of the following developments:
  - (a) Licensee's filing for bankruptcy or reorganization.
  - (b) Receipt of notification of license revocation procedures in any state against the licensee.
- (c) The filing of a felony indictment or information related to mortgage brokering activities of the licensee, or any officer, director, principal, or designated broker of the licensee.
  - (d) The licensee, or any officer, director, principal, or designated broker of the licensee being convicted of a felony.
- (e) Receipt of notification of cancellation of the licensee's surety bond or approved alternative, or any significant decline in value of an approved alternative held by the director.
  - (f) The filing of any material litigation against the licensee.
- (2) A licensee must notify the director in writing ten days prior to a change of the location of the licensee's principal place of business or any of its branch offices.
  - (3) A licensee must notify the director in writing within five days after a change in the licensee's:
    - (a) Name or legal status (e.g., from sole proprietor to corporation, etc.);
    - (b) Mailing address or telephone number;
    - (c) President, partner, designated broker, or branch office manager;
    - (d) Trust account (e.g., change in the status, location, or account number);
    - (e) State master business license; or
    - (f) Standing with the state of Washington secretary of state.

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### WAC 208-660-160 License application denial or condition; license suspension or revocation.

The director may deny or condition approval of a license application, or suspend or revoke a license if the applicant or licensee, or any principal or designated broker of the applicant or licensee:

- (1) Has failed to pay a fee due to the state in accordance with the Mortgage Broker Practices Act;
- (2) Has not filed the required surety bond or approved alternative or otherwise complied with RCW 19.146.205;
- (3) Has had any license, or any authorization to do business under any similar statute of this or any other state, suspended, revoked, or restricted within the prior five years;
- (4) Has within the prior seven years been convicted of a felony, or a gross misdemeanor involving dishonesty or financial misconduct;
- (5) Has failed to demonstrate financial responsibility, character, and general fitness such as to command the confidence of the community and to warrant a belief that the business will be operated honestly, fairly, and efficiently within the purposes of the Mortgage Broker Practices Act. The director may find that the person has failed to make the demonstration if, among other things:
- (a) The person is or has been subject to an injunction issued pursuant to the Mortgage Broker Practices Act or the Consumer Protection Act; or

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- (b) An independent credit report issued by a recognized credit reporting agency indicates that the person has a substantial history of unpaid debts;
  - (6) Has omitted, misrepresented, or concealed material facts in obtaining a license or in obtaining reinstatement thereof;
  - (7) Has violated the provisions of the Mortgage Broker Practices Act, or the Consumer Protection Act;
- (8) Has had its surety bond, approved alternative, or equivalent form of business insurance, canceled or revoked for cause:
- (9) Has allowed the licensed mortgage broker business to deteriorate into a condition which would result in denial of a new application for a license;
  - (10) Has aided or abetted an unlicensed person to practice in violation of the Mortgage Broker Practices Act;
- (11) Has demonstrated incompetence or negligence that results in injury to a person or that creates an unreasonable risk that a person may be harmed;
- (12) Is insolvent in the sense that the value of the applicant's or licensee's liabilities exceed its assets or in the sense that the applicant or licensee cannot meet its obligations as they mature;
- (13) Has failed to comply with an order, directive, or requirement of the director, or his or her designee, or with an assurance of discontinuance entered into with the director, or his or her designee;
- (14) Has performed an act of misrepresentation or fraud in any aspect of the conduct of the mortgage broker business or profession;
  - (15) Has failed to cooperate with the director, or his or her designee, including without limitation by:
- (a) Not furnishing any necessary papers or documents requested by the director for purposes of conducting an investigation for disciplinary actions or denial, suspension, or revocation of a license; or
- (b) Not furnishing any necessary papers or documents requested by the director for purposes of conducting an investigation into a complaint against the licensee filed with the department, or providing a full and complete written explanation of the circumstances of the complaint upon request by the director;
- (16) Has interfered with an investigation or disciplinary proceeding by willful misrepresentation of facts before the director or the director's designee, or by the use of threats or harassment against a client, witness, employee of the licensee, or representative of the director for the purpose of preventing them from discovering evidence for, or providing evidence in, any disciplinary proceeding or other legal action;
  - (17) Has failed to provide a required certificate of passing an approved examination;
- (18) Has failed to provide a required certificate of satisfactory completion of an approved licensing course or, in the alternative, satisfactory proof of two years' experience in accordance with WAC 208-660-040; or
  - (19) Has failed to provide a required certificate of satisfactory completion of an approved continuing education course.

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### WAC 208-660-165 Fines and penalties for violation of the Mortgage Broker Practices Act.

Each mortgage broker and each of its principals, designated brokers, officers, employees, independent contractors, and agents shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Mortgage Broker Practices Act. Each violation of any applicable provision of the Mortgage Broker Practices Act, or of any order, directive, or requirement of the director may, at the discretion of the director, subject the violator to a fine of up to one hundred dollars for each offense. Each day's continuance of the violation is a separate and distinct offense. In addition, the director in his or her discretion may by order assess other penalties for a violation of the Mortgage Broker Practices Act.

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